

Jack Benny Plans Visit To Israel; Ducks Question On Whether Zionist

By BEN GALLOB

INDIANAPOLIS (NJP)—Comedian Jack Benny looked surprised and slightly pained when he was asked last week whether any Jewish traditions were observed in his home and shook his head vigorously.

The comedian and his troupe were in Indianapolis for a one-night stand during a cross-country tour and The POST caught up with him in the lobby of the Lincoln hotel.

After posing for pictures in front of the hotel and shaking the hands of well-wishers, Benny looked harassed but he courteously answered the questions put to him while a growing crowd looked on.

SOMEWHAT DISTURBED

Between signing autograph books, the noted star replied to some hurriedly-formulated questions about his Jewishness. He was consistently polite, though it was evident that he had not expected such questions and was not prepared for them.

When asked about Jewish traditions in his home, he appeared puzzled and said, "you mean religious customs? Oh, no, nothing like that. We're not Orthodox, you understand."

When he was asked whether he was a Zionist, he started to reply but was interrupted by Irving Fine, who handles publicity for the tour.

"Now, don't start asking questions like that," Fine said plainly. "They all ask that



JACK BENNY
Still, There's Israel

question. We don't want to get mixed up in those things."

Benny corroborated that position, saying he preferred not to get "involved in politics."

The comedian revealed that he had visited Palestine in 1943 and planned to visit Israel this summer with his wife, Mary Livingston.

"We're going to Europe this year," he said, "and if we can work it out, I'll go to Israel with my wife. I'm pretty sure we'll work it out."

Asked what had particularly interested him on his 1943 visit, he replied he had been very much interested in activities of the

Jewish community.

Benny apparently did not know the meaning of the word "bibbutz." When he was asked whether he had visited any of the kibbutzim, he stared for a moment until the term, "collective settlements" was added.

He brightened and said he had visited several of the collectives and added he had been very deeply impressed.

He appeared surprised again when he was asked whether he did any work for the United Jewish Appeal and said, "of course." His tone indicated he was amazed that anyone would assume he did not help in that way.

I HELP

"I introduced vice president Barkley at a UJA meeting at the Hillcrest club at home," he said. "I make speeches, give money. I help."

Benny qualified his statement about Jewish observance by adding that he attended High Holy Days services every year at Temple Israel in Hollywood. He is a member of the Temple. He also belongs to B'nai B'rith.

He added that he and his wife go to visit her "folks" for the Passover Seder, though he does not hold one in his own home.

NOT RELIGIOUS

He was asked about a report that his daughter was a student at the Temple Israel school.

"You mean the religious school?" he asked. "Oh, no, nothing like that. She's not religious."

Mrs. Liebman Enters Social Work Field

BOSTON—Mrs. Joshua Loth Liebman, widow of the late rabbi of Temple Israel, will receive a master's degree in psychiatric social work from Simmons college, the Jewish ADVOCATE of Boston reported last week.

Mrs. Liebman will receive the degree with the class graduating in June. She plans to work in psychiatric social service in Boston.

The British Industries Fair has attracted buyers from the Middle East but few from Israel.

NCRAC Head Contends Jewish Defense Unity Still An Open Question

ATLANTIC CITY—Irving Kane, chairman of the National Community Relations Advisory Council, contended this week that the issue of coordination in the fiercely competitive field of U.S. Jewish civic defense work was still an open question.

Kane took that position in his first report as chairman of the NCRAC plenum to the eighth plenary session here last week-end. The NCRAC is the coordinating body for the four major U.S. Jewish civic defense agencies and has repeatedly grappled with the problem of such coordination.

His statement was made against the background of an NCRAC decision to participate in a survey of the effectiveness of the overall defense scene. The plan, set up last winter, calls for an independent study under direction of the Large Cities Budgeting Conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. (NJP, Dec. 16, 1949). The CJFWF represents nationally the 265 local federations and welfare funds of the U.S. Jewish community.

WHAT'S HAPPENED

No information emerged from the four-day plenary session as to the status of that survey.

The recent denial by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith of a platform to Benjamin Buttenwieser, assistant U.S. High Commissioner for Germany, received implicit approval from the NCRAC.

Benjamin Epstein, executive director of the ADL, reported to the NCRAC meeting on the incident. He repeated the main points of his recent statement to the ADL membership, in which he had contended that there was a possibility that the U.S. State Department had deliberately chosen a Jewish audience for a trial balloon on a new policy of appeasement of the nazis. (NJP May 25).

The delegates adopted resolutions asking prompt United States action on a program which would restore original U.S. policy in Germany of destroying all elements of nazism and building a democracy in that country.

A caucus of civic defense professionals considered the question of the national agencies refusal to abide by decisions of local Jew-

ish communities on the matter of opening offices in those communities. No action was taken on this problem, as far as The POST was able to determine.

Kane posed as the "central issue" in the debate on coordination of civic defense work this question:

"Should there—or should there not be—a division of responsibilities among the agencies in the field, to the fullest extent possible, so that it would be generally known and acknowledged that a certain area of work or function is the responsibility of one agency and is not the responsibility of any of the others?"

The agencies involved are the pro-Zionist American Jewish Congress, the non-Zionist American Jewish Committee, the ADL and the Jewish Labor Committee.

The NCRAC also includes in its membership the Jewish War Veterans, the (Reform) Union of America Hebrew Congregation, and 28 regional, state and local Jewish Community Councils.

Kane was re-elected chairman. Sidney Hollander of Baltimore and Bernard H. Trager of Bridgeport, Conn., were re-elected vice chairmen and Lester A. Jaffe of Cincinnati was re-named treasurer. Isaiah M. Minkoff of New York was re-named executive director.

The delegates also adopted resolutions asking prompt and favorable U.S. Senate action on the United Nations convention against genocide, and one asking the Senate to vote for cloture so that FEPC legislation could be handled.

Speakers for the four civic defense agencies agreed that the "hysteria typified by McCarthyism" was endangering civil liberties in the United States and that when individual liberties are under attack, the Jewish group is imperiled.

LZOA MEET URGES MEMBERS TO TAKE PART IN LOCAL POLITICS

Other Convention Stories Inside.

National Jewish Post
BOSTON—The once European-oriented Labor Zionist Organization of America moved this week to encourage its members to participate actively in the fight for progressive legislation in local U.S. politics.

In a specific turn to the American scene, the 27th convention of LZOA went on record as favoring establishment of a third party based on labor and pledged its support to such a party when it is formed.

The 300 delegates also empowered local branches to take stands on local issues and in local elections, providing such decisions do not conflict with decisions of the LZOA central committee.

The resolution also stipulated that no branch may engage in local political action or cooperate with any local political body without the approval of the local Central Committee.

Wertheim, Ex-Head Of AJ Committee, Dies

NEW YORK—Maurice Wertheim, former president of the American Jewish Committee and a former publisher of "The Nation" died of a heart attack last week at his estate in Cos Cob, Conn., at the age of 64.

He was an honorary trustee of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York and in 1945 was campaign chairman of the federation's fund raising drive.

Israel Closes Beaches In Fight On Polio

JERUSALEM—The Government of Israel last week banned outings and picnic youth rallies for two months in a fight against the Jewish State's spreading polio outbreak.

Health Minister Moshe Shapira reported to Parliament that 191 cases had been reported up to May 24, compared with 83 in April.

He said the monthly figure had been moving up since January when 19 cases were reported. He said that the normal number of cases is 20 to 60 a year.

Shapira said the current outbreak was not any more serious than those which have been occurring in the United States and in Europe during the past five years.

Most of the victims in Israel are children under five, and the disease hits old settlers and new immigrants alike. Sea bathing has been banned at Tel Aviv and children under six are barred from swimming pools.

Housing Prices Up As Minneapolis Jews Insist On Homes In Jewish Section

National Jewish Post

MINNEAPOLIS—Real estate values have been boosted in the north side Jewish section by the insistence of Minneapolis Jews on finding homes in that area, it was reliably reported this week.

A youthful Jewish couple, who asked that their names be withheld, said they had been so informed when they sought to purchase a home in that section.

A substantial number of the city's 20,000 Jews live in the north side section, which includes all of the city's Orthodox synagogues and Beth El, one of its two Conservative synagogues.

The young husband and wife were told of the unique boom in home values when they examined a house near Plymouth Avenue, which runs through the heart of the section.

The real estate agent, a non-Jew whose name also was withheld, agreed that the price of the home was a little high.

"I can get you a home either on the south side or farther north, in just as good a neighborhood, and just as good a house, for \$1,500 to \$2,000 less," the real estate agent told the couple.

He added that the situation was generally true throughout the north side Jewish section. "Jewish families insist on getting homes in this section," he said, "and they have pushed up the price both of homes and available lots."

The couple decided to stay on the north side, even though it meant renting a place, rather than move outside the area.

The south side, which houses the community's other Conservative synagogue, Adath Jeshurun, also contains a substantial number of Jewish families. The south side families, generally at a higher economic level than those on the north, are much more scattered than those on the north.

New York

PLENTY FOR ZIONISM TO DO
WITHOUT A FIGHT ABOUT CHARTER

By M. Z. FRANK

THE Zionist movement is one of the products of the creative genius of the Jewish people. It is not often that any people can produce a movement such as this.

Zionism was born in Europe, at a time when European Jewry, the most vigorous section of world Jewry, was at the height of its creative period; it produced at the same time the Jewish socialist movement, the best that is in Hebrew literature and Yiddish literature.

The same Jews of the same period of Eastern Europe out of whose midst came Chaim Weizmann and his Zionist contemporaries, also produced Bialik and Tchernikovsky, Sholem Asch and Abraham Raisin, and Leon Trotsky and his host of fellow-revolutionaries.

The German-speaking Jews of the same period produced Herzl and Nordau, Einstein and Schnitzler and Jakob Wassermann and Lion Feuchtwanger and Walter Rathenau.

Zionism was born out of a felicitous combination of the best forces in East European Jewry with the best forces in East European Jewry, at the high point of creativity in both, at a crucial juncture in Jewish history.



FRANK

TODAY EUROPEAN JEWRY is partly annihilated, partly atrophied. There remain three Jewries—Israel which is vibrant and creative but faced with a task which is too stupendous even for its own remarkable creativity; the Jewries of the New World, mostly of America, which is vibrant and boisterous and intelligent—but uncreative; and Oriental Jewry, only beginning to rouse itself from its ages-long slumber.

Suppose the present Zionist movement disintegrates. Which of the three Jewries is capable of creating a new one to take its place?

Israel's creative capacity is great, but its immediate needs are even greater. It is in no position, at the present, to create a new movement for Diaspora Jewry.

Oriental Jewry—by the time it has awakened to the extent of being able to make a creative contribution to Jewish life—at least half of it will have migrated to Israel.

CAN AMERICAN Jewry today create a new Zionist movement?

Who? The Anti-Defamation League? The Jewish Welfare Board? The Anglo-Jewish weeklies? Elliot Cohen?

By Israel and European standards, American Zionism may not be good enough. Admittedly, it lacks content. It has always lacked real Zionist content. But it is not fair or realistic to judge it by Israeli or European standards. We must bear in mind that American Zionism never operated next door to Volozhin or Ein-Harod. If American Zionism should disappear, I am afraid nothing better, nothing even as good, will arise from its ashes.

One way to help it disappear is to start another fight at this time. One way to save it and get it on the way to new progress is to infuse it with a practical program suitable to the present situation.

THERE ARE MANY projects a practical Zionist program can have. But the two main keystones are a vigorous educational program and a vigorous program for chalutzit.

Without chalutzit, Zionism becomes hardly distinguishable from any philanthropic or semi-

philanthropic movement to help Israel. Chalutzit is the soul of Zionism. Education is its mind. Zionism is a movement based on an idea. As such, it must propagate and expound its idea. The audience to which American Zionism addresses itself is inadequately informed but it is intelligent and is quite interested in Israel.

There is no need for a special charter from the Government of Israel for the Zionists in America to publish a good popular magazine, a good magazine for intellectuals, good books. Under Lipsky and Weisgal, "The New Palestine" was a good magazine. The "Zionist Observer" published by the Manhattan Zionist Region under Jacques Torczyner was not only a good magazine; it was an indirect indictment of the Zionist Organization of America and a challenge it has not yet taken up.

There are projects in Israel for which the goodwill and cooperation of the Israeli authorities are necessary. But a certain minimum of these may always be counted on. Chalutzit belongs in that category. There is still no need for a charter.

The Jewish Agency needs a

Fourteen Families

Build A Synagogue

MONTREAL—One of the smallest Jewish communities in Ontario, the 14 families of Port Colbourne, have opened a synagogue and community center.

The current "Congress Bulletin," reported that the tiny Jewish community received widespread congratulations for its enterprise.

charter—explicit or implicit—because it is not, at this point, the true representative of a mass-movement. If the Government of Israel should announce tomorrow that it is ready to receive the United Jewish Appeal contributions direct from New York, the Jewish Agency goes out of business and the American Section will have nothing left to do but run The Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

BUT THE ZOA needs no charter for its work. As long as there is work to be done for Israel—and there is plenty of it for years to come—and as long as there are Jews in America willing to do it—and there is no lack of them, either—all the ZOA needs is a good program and men to organize its implementation.

The goodwill of the Government of Israel can help a great deal. Lack of it can hinder. But it is not the only factor in the question. Not even the most crucial one. And there is no need for a charter.

Kansas Farmers See
Israel As Prophecy

DENVER—(WNS)—The rebirth of Israel is a fulfillment of Biblical Prophecy, it is believed by 90 percent of the religious farmers of Kansas, according to Louis Levand, Jewish publisher of the Wichita Beacon, largest Kansas daily.

Levand further declared here that the pro-Israel editorial policy of his paper "was in tune with the thinking of the people of Kansas, northern Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle."

RICHARDS WINS NEW ROUND
IN FIGHT ON FCC BIAS HEARING

WASHINGTON—G. A. Richards won his demand this week for a new start on the Federal Communications Commission hearing against him on charges of anti-Semitic news bias on one of his three radio stations.

The case started two years ago when charges were filed by the American Jewish Congress against Richards in connection with broadcasts on station KMPC in Los Angeles.

Richards also owns WJR in Detroit and WGAR in Cleveland. The long-delayed hearing finally got underway in Los Angeles last March 13 and was recessed April 1 by J. Fred Johnson, the FCC's chief examiner. Johnson died of a heart attack and the FCC named James D. Cunningham as a farm laborer in Rehovot.

Eliahu Elath, the new Israel Minister to Britain, came to Palestine in 1924 and at first worked as a farm laborer in Rehovot.

I Think As I Please

DO U.S. JEWS HAVE SPECIAL DUTY
TO OPPOSE PRESENT-DAY HYSTERIA?

By CARL ALPERT

NO American who is responsive to the press and radio today can fail to be aware of the threat to world peace posed by Soviet Russia. The refusal to come to terms on outlawing the A-Bomb, the current boycott of the United Nations, the creation of successive crises in Berlin and elsewhere, the maliciously distorted propaganda emanating from Moscow, all appear to give evidence that the Soviet Union is seeking to gain its political points by holding a dagger against the world's back and threatening war. In view of our recent experience with appeasement as a policy, a strong stand is called for.

At the same time, the current rooting out of Communists and Communist sympathizers from positions of influence in government or industry appears to be dictated by the strategic defense needs of the nation. If it be true that we are on the verge of a war with Russia, it is far better that potential enemies from within be eliminated in advance of any damage which they can do. Have we so soon forgotten the meaning of "Fifth Column"?

As Jews, too, we have powerful reason for mistrusting and fearing Communism. Jewish life, religion, culture, as they are known everywhere else do not exist in Russia. If it be true that anti-Semitism is banned in the Soviet Union, it is equally true that the freedom to be a Jew is likewise restricted. Zionism has for three decades been banned. Jews are forbidden to leave Russia for Israel, and the Iron Curtain is gradually shutting in others in Eastern Europe. Communism is a totalitarian philosophy, and we Jews have long since learned our fate under such a system, even when it goes under the guise of a benevolent totalitarianism. Mussolini proved one lesson.

THERE APPEARS TO BE every reason, therefore, as Jews and as Americans, why we unhesitatingly stand behind the western powers in the cold war now being waged—and, if necessary, in any shooting war which may follow.

Yet I must confess to certain uneasy fears and doubts which may be shared by others. The country is today without doubt in the grip of an anti-Communist hysteria. It is not the first such wave which has engulfed us, and in some respects not the worst.

Many may recall the fear of the bomb-throwing Bolsheviks in the early twenties, or the near-panic created ten years later by the Hearst press. In these earlier displays there had always been a powerful and influential element of liberals who stood fast against the epidemic. Jews were often among those who resisted the witch-hunts and the red-baiting which served only to tarnish the lustre of our democracy. Today there is hardly a shred of such resistance. We have all succumbed, and I constantly ask myself: Is it the will of the people, the rational, intelligent expression of mass public opinion which has created this atmosphere—or has public opinion been molded and fashioned artificially by elements which are interested in creating this split? In short, have we, the American people, made this policy of ours today, or are we the victims of it?

AS JEWS we have a self-consciousness about these things. On the one hand there is the guilt complex that we may be letting ourselves be stampeded by hysteria. Though antagonism to Communism is deep-rooted in Jewish life, we place great value on democracy, and dread to see democracy abused by those who in its name, seek to stamp out all who are of differing political belief. It has been frightening to watch how quickly Communism has been transformed from merely an unpopular movement here to a traitorous movement. The Communists haven't changed; they are still pursuing their same policies. It is the mood of the American people which has undergone alteration.

Jews, too, have at times been an unpopular minority, and it is for that reason that Rabbi Benjamin Schultz and his American Jewish League Against Communism were roundly condemned in many Jewish circles not so long ago. His critics were also opposed to Communism, but they disliked seeing Jews taking the leadership in whipping up a state of public panic.

Today, it appears, we have succumbed. When Judith Coplan was found guilty a shudder went through the Jewish community. When Harry Gold was arrested a fear psychosis set in. I have heard people say earnestly, grudgingly: "Thank God Alger Hiss was not a Jew."

ALL RESTRAINT has been removed, and the pack is in a cry. We have all been caught by the fever. We justify ourselves today, but what will history's verdict on this hysteria be?

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LZOA Head Says U.S. Jews Need Special Privileges As Minority

By HARRY CUSHING

National Jewish Post Correspondent
BOSTON—(NJP)—Baruch Zukerman, president of the Labor Zionist Organization of America, repeated this week a proposal that American Jews be given special privileges as a minority group to insure maximum support for the upbuilding of Israel.

Zukerman first made the proposal last fall at a meeting of the National Council of LZOA and he amplified it at the 27th convention of LZOA here.

"Only the Jewish State will assure Jews of equal status with other nations," he said. "But the state must be a secure one. A tiny state can enjoy no assurance of its own existence and can have but little influence upon Jewish continuity throughout the many lands of our dispersion. It is therefore the duty of all who desire Jewish continuity to make that state big."

THE U.S. FUTURE

He outlined an approach to Jewish "normalization" in the U.S. in these terms:

"The Jewish minority which will continue to live in America will be able to think of putting its responsibility for Jewish continuity on the same plane as that of other minorities in America only when we shall have in Israel the same percentage of our people as, for example, the Italians have of theirs in Italy, or at least as the Irish of theirs in Ireland."

He contended that "in our generation, American Jewry still bears a tremendous responsibility to help in equalizing the status of the Jewish people with that of the other nations in the world in order to assure its existence."

A SPECIAL PRIVILEGE

"To that end the American Jewish minority must conduct activities for which the other minorities have no need. This privilege must be recognized for, and granted to, American Jewry, and all such activities which foster the continued existence of the Jews as a people must be recognized a priori as the right of the American Jewish minority."

In a later address, Zukerman said the World Zionist Congress meeting in Jerusalem next December should not elect a president "because the person who would be acceptable to the Jewish world as the symbol of world Zionism has not yet emerged."

"The World Zionist executive will have to continue to function out of two world Jewish centers, Jerusalem and New York," Zukerman told the second plenary ses-

sion. "Would it not be advisable to preserve equal status for the chairmen of both parts of the executive?"

LZOA Asks Fund "Democratization"

National Jewish Post
BOSTON—The Labor Zionist Organization of America this week added its voice to demands for greater "democratization" of the nation's 265 local federations and welfare funds.

Prof. Hayim Fineman of Philadelphia, chairman of the LZOA National American Jewish Affairs Committee told the Saturday

night plenary session of the 27th convention that U.S. Jewish fund-raising institutions "must be democratized to assure greater benefit to Zionist causes."

The former FINEMAN LZOA president charged that many of the federations and funds "have the facade of democracy but lack its spirit."

He said that the American program of LZOA included plans to liberalize cultural, civic and recreation programs in Jewish centers and "injection of a Labor Zionist outlook into Jewish community relations councils."

LZOA Membership Up 80% Since 1947

National Jewish Post
BOSTON—An 80 per cent increase in membership in the Labor Zionist Organization of America has been registered since November, 1947, the 27th convention of LZOA was told this week.

The membership rose from 10,587 to 18,642, the LZOA Central Committee reported. In 1947 there were 193 LZOA branches and today the total is 240 branches.

In that process the 72 Yiddish-speaking branches have dwindled to 62 but the English-speaking branches have grown from 120 to 177.

There was one Hebrew-speaking branch in 1947 and it remains the only one in LZOA.

The Central Committee also reported that since the last convention, LZOA has become largely an English-speaking group, as well as a young people's organization, with the average member's age in the 30's.

Sabbath Ignored At LZOA Conclave

National Jewish Post
BOSTON—The Sabbath was largely ignored at the 27th convention of the Labor Zionist Organization of America this week.

The opening session was held Friday night and billed as an "Oneg Shabbat." However, there was no evidence of any Sabbath observance and the session actually was a typical convention evening.

President Baruch Zukerman gave a major address at the "Oneg Shabbat." A luncheon was held Saturday afternoon at which Victor G. Reuther, educational director of the CIO United Auto Workers, spoke.

PIONEER WOMEN HEAD ASKS U.S. JEWS TO SEND MILLION PIONEERS TO ISRAEL

National Jewish Post
BOSTON—A specific figure of 1,000,000 pioneers from America to Israel was urged this week as a goal for American Jews by Mrs. Israel Goldstein, president of the Pioneer Women, the women's Labor Zionist Organization of America.

Speaking at the 27th convention of LZOA, she said that unless Labor Zionists carry out their responsibility to provide human material as well as financial help, "we might as well forget that we are a movement."

Pointing to the 5,000,000 U.S. Jews, she said, "Surely 1,000,000 can be spared for Israel—1,000,000 who will there be able to live an integrated Jewish life."

Israel Democracy Its Own, Says Heller

National Jewish Post
BOSTON—The type of democracy evolving in Israel will not be like that of the west, Dr. James G. Heller of Cincinnati, told the 27th Labor Zionist Organization of American convention here this week.

Speaking at the Monday night convention banquet, the former Zionist Organization of America leader said he did not believe that the democracy of Israel "is going to be precisely, or perhaps even generally like that of the lands of the West. It is groping for forms, and wrestling with the problems that arise out of

its unique situation and its unique components."

He said that "its instinct is not to crystallize forms too soon but to move cautiously, especially in a time so full of pressing tasks and needs."

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency, speaking at the banquet, urged an alliance between the "liberal" type of Gen-Zion and Labor Zionism as the basis for a "real partnership between the Zionist movement and the State of Israel."

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N. Y. NEWS PAPER COUNSELOR HOLDS ORTHODOXY SORT OF AN ILLNESS

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

religious renaissance in America.

WHEN her son suddenly turned extremely Orthodox the mother became distraught. She sought advice from Dr. Rose Franzblau, who runs a column, "Guide for the Perplexed," in the New York COMPASS. The guidance Dr. Franzblau gave the perplexed mother rubs S. Dingol the wrong way. "Dr. Franzblau regards the young man as mentally ill," Dr. Dingol tells his readers in the DAY, and she interprets his piety as a desire to compensate for the loss of the father who died in the boy's infancy. Since he now lacked a father, the young zealot was "adopting" God as a father, Dr. Franzblau told the mother.

That explanation might please "our amateur and professional psycho-analysts," but not Dingol. Why should Dr. Franzblau equate Orthodoxy with abnormality? How does her theory explain the hundreds of young people, most of whom have fathers and mothers and are thoroughly normal, who have entered the Young Israel movement? Dingol's belief: "we are on the threshold of a



SILVER

Applause for Brandeis For Adding Marie Syrkin

In the same article Dingol applauds the appointment of Marie Syrkin to the chair of English Literature at Brandeis University. Marie, the daughter of Nachman Syrkin, the great Labor Zionist, is a brilliant teacher, writer, and communal leader, who will bring new glory to Brandeis U., writes Dingol.

U.S. Jews Always Have Money For Wrong Causes

Jewish organizations will spend money for research only if it serves the purposes of defense against anti-semitism. Knowledge for the sake of knowledge is not desired by the Jewish community. Indeed, there are certain facts about American Jewish history which many organizations want to keep concealed because they are afraid that it might lead to misunderstanding.

These are the reflections of S. Niger, in the DAY, as he deplores the failure of the world's largest Jewish community to provide adequate records of its history.

"Utilitarian Judaism" is responsible for the empty coffers of such pure research organizations as YIVO, sighs Niger. Sadly he quotes Dr. Solomon Grayzel of the Jewish Publication Society: "When our communal leaders are

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Newark Hapoel Hamizrachi Rapped For Inviting Non-Jewish Officials To Special Torah Ceremony

NEWARK—The Hapoel Hamizrachi of Newark was criticized last week by a Newark rabbi for inviting Gov. Alfred Driscoll and other non-Jewish dignitaries to a meeting to mark the collection of 50 Torahs to be sent to Israel.

Rabbi Louis M. Levitsky, spiritual leader of Oheb Shalom Congregation, rebuked the religious Labor Zionists in the current "Oheb Shalom Review."

"Of what service could New Jersey's first citizen be, even a man of such deep sincerity and of such high spiritual stature as is the governor?" Rabbi Levitsky asked.

"The gathering of these Torahs was not an undertaking in our capacity as American citizens and therefore did not require the sanction of a representative of our state," he said. "How could Mr. Driscoll be expected to make a contribution in keeping with the religious nature of the occasion which could not be done as

effectively by any one of the learned rabbis present?"

Rabbi Levitsky questioned the propriety of "using the governor" if the Hapoel Hamizrachi issued the invitation in an attempt to draw the attention of the general community to the activities of the group.

The Newark rabbi said that the occasion would have been a good one "to present some outstanding Jewish personality who is conversant with the full spiritual implications of the act."

He said that if the invitation was a bid to attract general attention, he questioned the value of using the general press "to announce strictly Jewish religious functions."

He said the daily press "surely cannot be used to draw non-Jews to the reading of the Megillah, to graduation exercises from a Hebrew school or to the presentation of Torahs to Israel."

Philadelphia Vaad Accused Of Stalling On Reorganization

PHILADELPHIA—The Orthodox-controlled Vaad Hakashruth, supervisory body for kosher food distribution, was charged last week with delaying a broadening of the organization to help end abuses in kashruth in Philadelphia.

A year-long fight by the Philadelphia Jewish TIMES for more adequate supervision led to a plan to include Conservative rabbis, and interested laymen, on the Vaad Kakashruth. The Vaad tentatively agreed to the expansion.

The Philadelphia Anglo-Jewish weekly reported last week that the Association of Kosher Butchers had endorsed the proposed broadening and urged immediate action to carry out the program.

THEY ARE IN

The Butchers Association is represented on the present governing body of the Vaad, it was reported.

On another front in the struggle, the Kosher Caterers Association "is seeking to obtain a clear-cut definition of kashruth for its membership as a result of several questions which have recently been raised concerning supervision here," the TIMES reported.

LONG TIME PASSES

The weekly said that the Vaad Kakashruth had authorized appointment of a committee to prepare a program but that "no further action in this direction has been taken, although four weeks have passed since the plan was approved."

"It has been hinted that the delay is due to opposition on the part of some of the rabbinical members of the Vaad and the Jewish TIMES has offered to print the names of the opponents, so that the community will know them and they can be dealt with by public opinion," the weekly reported.

German Wins Election On Hate Platform

MUNICH—(WNS)—In a campaign waged on the issue of anti-Semitism, the town of Aalen in the U. S. zone of occupation re-elected as mayor an outspoken Jew-hater who had been the head of the town throughout the Nazi regime.

During the campaign Karl Schuebel, the winner, directed his poison arrows against Jews and against Peter Lahnstein, his opponent, who is partly Jewish.

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American Taxpayers Foot Bill For Tour

Two Germans on Cultural Mission Spread Hate In Seattle

SEATTLE—The U.S. State Department was accused this week of sponsoring a tour of Seattle, at a cost of \$5,000 in public funds, for two Germans who spread anti-Semitic propaganda through the area.

The charge was made by Stanley S. Jacobs, director for the Anti-Defamation League for the state of Washington, reporting in the communally-owned Seattle Jewish TRANSCRIPT.

Jacobs denounced the "lovely Cook's tour of Seattle and environs—several weeks at taxpayers' expense—enjoyed recently by two bright and shining young Germans imported by our State Department to ab-

sorb democracy like you drink a Coca Cola . . . Such nice-mannered boys; so interested; so anti-Semitic."

"Blandly, these birds told their hosts in Seattle homes that Germany had no room for Jews; that Jews weren't entitled to live in the Fatherland," Jacobs declared. "Ach yes, they deplored excesses and professed not to know much about gas chambers; but they echoed Adolf in hissing that the 'dirty, ill-mannered Polish Jews' provoked the official anti-Semitism of the Third Reich."

Jacobs said one was 20 and the other 24, a labor leader and a church leader, respectively.

"They proclaim that today's Jews in Germany are black marketers and that the Jews should be in Israel—but better still in their graves, their attitudes revealed," Jacobs said.

He fired a question in the direction of Secretary of State Dean Acheson:

"How come the State Department picks fellows like this to enjoy a \$5,000 tour of America—all expenses paid by John Q. Public—when there are true anti-nazis in Germany who are boycotted and can't find even menial labor?"

S. F. Council Chapter Denies Attacked Judaism In Daily Press

(See Editorial This Issue)

SAN FRANCISCO—The San Francisco chapter of the American Council for Judaism strongly denied last week that it had been responsible for an attack on Judaism in the San Francisco daily press.

The charge was made by seven Jewish organizations in a "Statement to the Community" published in the communally-owned Jewish Community BULLETIN.

The groups signing the charge included local branches of all U.S. Jewish civic defense agencies, as well as the Board of Rabbis of Northern California.

THEY DID IT

The statement said that the local anti-Zionist group had been guilty of "calling into question the nature and integrity of Judaism as it is preached and taught in our theological seminaries, synagogues and homes."

The chapter also was charged with raising doubts in the public press on the integrity of Judaism 'for the first time in American history.'

The BULLETIN last week published a reply signed by the directors of the chapter, which said that the directors had "noted with deep concern" the statement to the community.

NO TRUTH IN IT

"The inaccuracies of that statement cannot be permitted to go unanswered," the Council officials asserted. "Nothing which appeared in the San Francisco press justifies the charges made in the statement."

The occasion for the protested stories in the San Francisco CHRONICLE and the San Francisco EXAMINER was a visit by Lessing J. Rosenwald, national

Rosenwald spoke of the "incursions being made on our religion by Zionism" and that Judaism was a religion "which must remain a religion and not get mixed up with political hodge-podge."

Rabbi Reichert said that there had been "an alarming infiltration of nationalism in our religion" and that U.S. Zionists had "captured" Jewish theological seminaries.

The Jewish groups said that statements were "harmful and fraught with dangers to the Jews of America," adding that the statements were "irresponsible, untrue and dangerous."

RESUONSIBLE MEN

The reply said that the Council, its officers and members, locally and nationally, were, "responsible men and women, who

Israel Soldier Gets Ten Years As Red Spy

TEL AVIV—(WNS)—A military court here imposed a ten-year sentence on an army sergeant it convicted on charges of handing over military secrets to two Communist leaders in Israel.

The convicted man, Staff Sergeant Melech Reichner, born in Rumania was accused of having given the information to Gustav Golubner and Rudi Winter, both of whom were arrested last January in the Communist demonstration in Jerusalem against Henry Morgenthau Jr.

are joined together to enhance the universal values of Judaism.

"So long as we act with dignity and speak the truth we, as well as those whose opinions differ from ours, have every right to make our views known. We shall continue to do so."

The reply did not deal with the Council's use of the general press for its charges against U.S. Jewish supporters of Israel, but the inference was plain that such use would be continued, both locally and nationally, by the anti-Zionist organization.

HOSPITALS MERGED

NEW YORK—The Bronx Maternity and Women's Hospital and the Jewish Memorial Hospital have been merged, it was revealed this week.

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RUSSIA OFFERS TO SUPPLY SYRIA WITH ALL WEAPONS ARMY NEEDS

LONDON—The Soviet Union has offered to supply all the arms requirements of the Syrian armed forces, it was reported last week.

The Jewish CHRONICLE of London declared that the Syrian Government had welcomed the offer and is studying the proposal.

The weekly said the offer was made by the Soviet Minister in Damascus, who is returning to Moscow with results of talks for an economic agreement and friendship pact between the two countries.

Moscow's foreign policy weekly "New Times," declared that the "whole democratic camp has sincere sympathy for the Arab states" and said the proposed Syrian-Russian pact "opened the floodgates of popular sentiment throughout the Arab world favoring friendly relations with the USSR."

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LANDLORD FIGHTS NON-JEWISH TENANT WHO HAS JEWISH FRIENDS AS GUESTS

PHILADELPHIA—A non-Jewish landlord charged by a non-Jewish tenant with refusing to allow her to entertain Jewish friends in her apartment was under a \$500 bond this week to hold the peace for one year.

The Philadelphia Jewish Community Council, which intervened in the court action at the specific request of the tenant, called the affair one of the most unusual cases involving anti-Semitism in its experience.

The tenant, who was represented by a non-Jewish attorney who donated his services because of the issue involved, complained that the landlord continually harassed her for being on friendly terms with Jewish neighbors.

After a conference with attorneys for both parties, the judge ordered the anti-Semitic landlord to post the bond.

Names In The News

HAROLD J. GOLDENBERG REMAINS TRUE TO JEWISH DUTY IN ISRAEL

AMERICAN Jewish life lost a coming top leader when for the completeness with which HAROLD J. GOLDENBERG of Minneapolis moved to Israel a year ago to settle in Rehovot and seeking to segregate Jews from the current of American culture; the danger of the alleged program to the U.S. "is alarming," Zionists seek to make U.S. Jews a bloc "concerned primarily with the well-being of a foreign country."



GOLDENBERG

Goldenberg would get himself into some kind of communal service in Israel got the answer this week. An interim report was made on the struggle to handle the hard core cases of refugees whom Israel decided to take in. The report came from Malben, formed last December by the Joint Distribution Committee, the Jewish Agency and the Israeli Government to handle the aged and incurably-sick arriving in Israel. Malben learned that its half-year budget of \$17,500,000 is about half what it needs for the job. The report was made by the chairman of the board of Malben—Harold J. Goldenberg, according to the N.Y. Times.

The Priestly Day

The leading citizens of Scranton, Pa., got together last week to celebrate a "Cohen Day," according to World Wide News Service. Center of the tribute was A. B. COHEN, popular civic leader and businessman. The Chamber of Commerce presented Cohen with a certificate of merit. Cohen has been chairman of the local labor-management committee for 15 years.

The Old Refrain

The New York chapter of the anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism provided a platform again last week for one of its collection of non-Jewish anti-Zionists, DR. VIRGINIA C. GILDER-SLEEVE, former dean of Barnard

Radio Roundup

The Post will present here weekly a summary of nationally-broadcast radio programs of interested Jewish listeners. No responsibility is assumed by The Post for last minute change by radio networks.

SUNDAY, JUNE 4—Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn, spiritual leader of Central Synagogue of Nassau County, Long Island, speaking on "How Old Are You?" first of a series of four sermons on the "Message of Israel" program, 10 a.m. EDST, ABC.

SUNDAY, JUNE 4—"The Man Who Changed His Mind," by Peter Lyon, a Memorial Day program, on the "Eternal Light," 10 a.m. EDST, NBC.

in a mistaken conflict between his Jewish ties and his American environment. It is this experience that is least understood by the Jew of Israel today."

The Expanding Future

For Rabbi LEON FEUER of Toledo, a happy gesture has speedily expanded into a fearful prospect. The gesture is a self-instituted project of visiting the reception of every confirmand from his Temple. He is recovering slowly from the latest tour. Starting at 2:30 Sunday afternoon and running until 11 that night, the Reform rabbi attended 30 of the receptions of the 39 members of his confirmation class. The late hour and rising exhaustion stopped the journey. Rabbi Feuer confided that he wasn't worried so much about next year, when the class will be smaller, but is concerned about 1952, when members will be confirmed.

The Helpful Assist

Some free advice for Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's Mapai party—which is largely minus religious observance—came this week from MENDEL FISHER, perennial director of the Jewish National Fund. Speaking at the convention of the Ohio Valley Zionist region Sunday in Toledo, Fisher described how the second anniversary of Israel was celebrated in a synagogue. Fisher said that Ben-Gurion, dressed in silk hat and cutaway, looked like a rabbi. "I don't know whether he eats kosher or not," said Fisher, and added, "but I think he should."

Italian Community Left \$300,000 Bequest

ROME—(WNS)—A bequest of \$300,000 was left to the Turin Jewish community by Dr. E. Segre, an Italian Jew who died in Germany some weeks ago, it was disclosed here this week.

The Jewish community in Turin is said to count about 3,000 people. The deceased was a member of the community.

Report From Hollywood

L.A. CONSERVATIVE MOVEMENT MISSED BOAT ON RADIO CHANCE

By SIMON WINCEMBERG

MORE than a year ago, Dan Russel, program director for KFMV (the only all-FM station in Hollywood, and something in the nature of a showcase for the International Ladies Garment Workers Union) visited the Los Angeles office of New York's Jewish Theological Seminary (Conservative). Purpose of the call was to discuss the matter of getting together on some public service programs, for which the station would provide air-time, studio facilities and technical assistance free of charge, and the JTS, it was hoped would do the rest.



Winclenberg

Russel waited.

His vigil was ended late in 1948, when a phone call from Joan Hoffman, secretary of the Hollywood office of the (Reform) Union of American Hebrew Congregations, offered the sort of collaboration Russel had been looking for.

Previous to that, Russel had made a faithful study of the Jewish programming offered by other local stations, but found nothing that he particularly wanted to get involved with.

ANYHOW, UAHF FOR WELL OVER a year now has been able consistently and satisfactorily to supply KFMV's quota of Jewish public service programs.

Each Friday evening, "Hear, O Israel," presents a condensed Friday night service, followed by a 15-minute period of readings and comments on great Jewish literature by Dr. Maurice Galpert, under the sponsorship of the College of Jewish Studies.

Each Sunday morning, the University Synagogue on the Air presents Rabbi Julian Feingold in another condensed service, with transcribed music by the Central Synagogue Choir. (University Synagogue, incidentally, provided the "religious scrolls" for "John Sings Again," on which, if you will recall, Columbia's publicity department stubbed its teeth so brilliantly last year.)

Sunday noon, again under auspices of the College of Jewish Studies, Dr. Camille Honig delivers talks on great spiritual leaders and modern-day saints.

RUSSEL, WHO HAS RECENTLY taken a whole-hearted plunge into the study of Hebrew, being a new subscriber to HADOAR, and an ex-pupil of L.A.'s University of Judaism, is thinking, at present, of augmenting his broadcasting schedule. The expansion is contemplated along the lines of an intelligent program of Jewish news, and perhaps by a Hebrew cultural program, similar to the one the Histadrut Ivrit is reportedly sponsoring over WLIB in Brooklyn.

KFMV soon hopes to be able to balance its budget by becoming the flagship of a contemplated Southern California network. In the meantime it is, to the best of my knowledge, the only medium of public communication with liberal leanings in the L. A. area, and one of the more striking features of the Sunset Boulevard skyline.

One of its offices provided Louis Schaffer of the Yiddish Daily FORWARD and myself, with a delightful base of operations for a number of weeks last year, until New York once again began to beckon to Lou.

★ ★ ★

Raymond Chandler's lovable, blunt-spoken private eye, Philip Marlowe, nearly lapsed into significance in "The Little Sister," the latest fruit of the master's pen, which once again sees Marlowe getting stuck, slugged, conked and kissed with appalling regularity.

In one of the outer sanctums of a big Hollywood agent, Marlowe tersely informs a "plump, white-haired Jew" that "just between you and me, the hell with people named Spink."

"Anti-Semitic, huh?" Spink said. He waved a generous hand, on which a canary-yellow diamond looked like an amber traffic light." Etc.,

Before anyone gets the wrong idea about Hollywood from this, let me assure you that at the agency which stands between my stories and production, diamonds are displayed with far greater discretion, and the interests of nearby Temple Israel and a number of other Jewish causes, are accommodated with considerable thoughtfulness.

Social Workers To Meet June 4

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—More than 1,000 Jewish social workers, center workers and educators were expected this week for the 51st annual convention of the National Council of Jewish Social Welfare here June 4 through June 9.

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Women's Viewpoint

IS SHULCHAN ARUCH ONLY PATH TO CONSECRATED JEWISH LIVING?

By HELEN COHEN

Rabbi Philip Romanov of the Jewish Community Center of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., feels that I have "missed the point" in the discussion about the Shulchan Aruch, the traditional code of behavior for Orthodox Jews. He writes.

"What you call Orthodox Judaism and what I like to call Traditional Shulchan Aruch Judaism is built and based on the principle that the Jew's purpose and aim in life is solely to sanctify the name of the Lord in thought, word and deed every breathing moment of his life. In other words, K'Dusha is the purpose of Israel, the Jewish people.

"To reach this K'dusha is to live according to the laws set forth in the Shulchan Aruch."

Rabbi Romanov has well stated the ideal which has made Judaism a great religion. If anything should be deplored it is not so much that each new generation is so ignorant Jewishly, but that the young people are not impressed sufficiently with this lofty conception of their religion.

See if you don't agree, Rabbi Romanov, that the same idea is expressed by Rabbi Jacob Agus in a recent article. Writing in the "Reconstructionist" magazine in refutation of an essay by Rabbi Max Weiner on "Jewish Law and Jewish Life," Rabbi Agus declared:

"I, for one, regard the formulation of the purpose of the institutions of Judaism as being 'personal happiness and group survival' to be most unfortunate. In classical Greek philosophy personal happiness was conceived to be the goal of the good life, with Aristotle declaring it most easily attained through the practice of rational contemplation, the Epicureans insisting on the pleasures of sensation, and the Stoics identifying it with 'imperturbability' or the complete subjugation of the emotions. What do these . . . have to do with . . . religion, more especially with the Jewish insistence on the ideal of living as a 'servant of the Lord'? Nor is the goal of group survival to be regarded as an ultimate end, but as a means to the ideals of Jewish piety."



AGUS

The remaining question then, since we are in accord on the true path of Jewish living, is: Is it necessarily synonymous with the Shulchan Aruch?

IN THE SAME ARTICLE FROM WHICH I quoted Rabbi Agus, is found this paragraph:

"Needless to say, Halakhah is far greater in scope and more creative in conception than the Shulchan Aruch, a definitely dated compilation of Jewish law. Indeed the great rabbis of every age frowned upon the general tendency of the common folks to regard as sacrosanct the latest digest of the Law of the type of the Shulchan Aruch, as Prof. Chernowitz demonstrated in his monumental study of the Codifiers. In Israel the creative character of Jewish law in certain fields is most certain to be revived through the pressure of circumstances, while in America its essential creativity is likely to be demonstrated in other fields."

Just because I concur with the opinion that Jewish juvenile books could stand a little improvement in quality, doesn't mean that I strictly approve of non-Jewish children's stories, especially the classics that have been ladled out to the young ears for these many generations.

Looking back from the more experienced vantage point at the plots which intrigued me as a child, I am particularly leery of such offerings for young minds as:

Little Red Riding Hood—with its ghastly sequences in which the grandmother is eaten, only to be graphically removed later on from Mr. Wolf's stomach.

King Midas—it must be horrible for a child to contemplate how, with one touch, a loved one changes from living flesh to solid gold.

Three Little Pigs—if the little pigs didn't relish being eaten by the big bad wolf, the thought of the wolf falling into a pot of boiling hot water, when he came down the chimney, is equally repugnant to any sensitive soul.

BUT I THINK THE WORST EFFECT of all was created by the story of Cinderella. How many little girls were started on the road toward an inferiority complex because they knew as surely as night follows day that their feet weren't the smallest in the world, nor were they the loveliest creature the prince had ever seen.

Now I note that Delman, famous designer of shoes for women, is in the midst of some publicity stunt, in which a pair of Cinderella shoes, transparent and bejeweled, will tour the country, to ascertain the rightful heir to Cinderella's title.

Of course, Delman kindly explained that the size wouldn't matter so much as the shape and grace of the foot. There was only one catch to that statement. The news items revealed that the shoes would start off their tour by being worn by dancer Sally de Marco, who can wiggle her toes into a size three.

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Lando Persky

• Mrs. Jules M. Levy, 825 Geary St., San Francisco, writes:

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LANDO, a variant of Landau, one of the most highly respected of all Jewish family names derives from the city of Landau in Bavaria. The city expelled its Jewish population in 1545. At that time, a man named Rabbi Mose Halevy Landau moved to Prague in Czechoslovakia where he became a member of the rabbinate. Eventually he moved to Cracow in Poland in the same capacity. All Landaus who are levitical are descended from him. Other Landaus are descended from various exiles of the Bavarian city. An uncountable number of rabbis and scholars bore this name through the centuries. There is no greater name in Israel.

• Daniel Persky, 243 E. 14th St., New York, writes:


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What Foods These Morsels Be

TO spread between pieces of bread for that picnic lunch, or to serve as hors d'oeuvres mixtures, we offer these suggestions this week.

CELERY MIXTURE

2 tbsps. chopped olives 2 cups chopped celery
2 tbsps. chopped walnuts ¼ cup mayonnaise

Chop ingredients very fine, and mix thoroughly.

CHEESE MIXTURES

Number 1

1 cup cottage or cream cheese ½ cup chopped olives, plain
2 tbsps. cream, sweet or sour or stuffed
¼ cup chopped green peppers, paprika
or ½ cup chopped nuts or salt and pepper
½ cup chopped pineapple or

Work cheese and cream together until smooth, chop other ingredients desired very fine, and mix thoroughly.

Number 2

½ cup cottage or cream cheese ½ cup pecans, chopped very fine
1 tablespoon cream ½ cup marmalade
Work cheese and cream together until smooth, add marmalade and chopped pecans and mix thoroughly.

CHICKEN MIXTURE

1 cup cooked chicken 1 tsp. horse-radish if desired
½ cup chopped pickled cumumber 1 tbsps. catsup or
prepared mild mustard

1 hard-cooked egg

Put chicken and egg through the food chopper, mix thoroughly with remaining ingredients.

DATE-FIG-NUT MIXTURE

Put through the food chopper equal quantities of pitted dates, dried figs and blanched almonds or walnuts. Mix, and add enough strained orange juice to bind the mixture.

EGG MIXTURE

Mash hard-cooked eggs with the back of a wooden spoon, adding enough melted chicken fat or mayonnaise to make a smooth paste. Season with salt and pepper. If desired, add 1 small onion, chopped fine, or 1 tablespoon chopped olives, for each egg.

8,450 Ex-Nazis Among 11,000 German Officials

STUTTGART—(WNS)—About 8,450 officials of the West German state of Wuertemberg-Baden are former Nazis and over 2,000 have held Nazi Party ranks bringing them under an occupation ban on office-holding, it was revealed here in an official survey of the 11,000 officials in the five major ministries in the province, conducted by the state Denazification Ministry.

This fact does not mean a resurgence of Nazism, Major General Charles P. Gross, U. S. Commissioner for the state, asserted on being confronted with the statistics. Meanwhile Reinhold Maier, the Minister-President of Wuertemberg-Baden, explained that the preponderance of Nazis in government circles is due to the fact that they cannot find enough able officials to fill the vacant posts without using former Nazis.

Izler Solomon Wins Columbia U. Award

NEW YORK—(WNS)—Izler Solomon, American Jewish conductor, has received a \$2,000 Columbia University Music Award for 1950 for his contribution to the furtherance of music written by American composers.

Solomon previously received the Award of Merit given by the American Composers and Conductors' Association for stimulating interest in American music. The American conductor directed the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra for two seasons.

Israel Denies Talks On With Spain

NEW YORK—(WNS)—Madrid reports of negotiations between Israel and Spain regarding Spanish recognition of the new state were categorically denied here by an Israeli spokesman.

This is the second time that such a report emanated from Madrid.

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The Way to Fight The Council

THE official Jewish community of San Francisco was outraged.

The American Council for Judaism had taken another of its charges against Jews who are Zionists to the public press—this one that Zionists were doing something or other to Judaism.

In San Francisco there is a community-owned Anglo-Jewish publication which goes to every Jewish family, so that if the Council were interested in preaching a doctrine to Jews, it could do so in the Anglo-Jewish press. That the Council decided to use the public press with its charges against Jews is clear indication of the blackmail tactics of that organization.

Last year, the Jewish Community BULLETIN, the organ owned and operated by the Jewish community, printed an ad from the Council which The POST would have turned down. The ad portrayed a Boy Scout blowing a bugle, against the background of a huge American flag, and then went on to attack the Zionists, the implication being clear that U.S.

Zionists were not for the American flag.

The fact that the paper printed the ad means that it would have carried the charges made by Lessing Rosenwald and Rabbi Irving Reichert. But Mr. Rosenwald and Dr. Reichert seemed to want to reach the non-Jewish audience with their charges and they did.

The Council seems to have decided to continue on its reckless path leading toward self-destruction, regardless of the opinion of the organized Jewish community.

The response of the organized Jewish community of Los Angeles showed the only way to handle the Council. It is a democratic way. So far the national Jewish organizations have gone on record as denouncing the Council for making charges against Jews in the public press. But this is the first instance where the local Jewish organizations and local rabbis have issued such a protest.

As far as The POST is able to learn, the answer to the Council was printed only in the Jewish Community Bulletin.

Cooperation Between Judaism's Three Wings

THE forthcoming conventions of all the U.S. rabbinical organizations offers another opportunity for suggestions for cooperation between the three branches of Judaism—Orthodoxy, Conservatism and Reform.

It is true that in many areas the differences between the three wings are so acute as to often erupt in open conflict. But it is also true that there is enough common ground so that many activities could be conducted jointly with the assurance of wide gains for Judaism and for its observance in the U.S.

In membership alone, there is so much opportunity for working together that it is surprising that up until now there has not been established a joint commission of Orthodoxy, Reform and Conservatism to lay concrete plans for attacking the problem of non-affiliation.

Already many signs of working together are in evidence.

For instance, no congregation in conducting a membership drive aims its workers at members of other congregations, but clearly states that it is seeking to enlarge its own ranks only from among the unaffiliated. In the disturbance in Louisville, the Conservative Adath Jeshurun Congregation has decided unofficially not to accept into membership those who leave the strife-torn ranks of Orthodox Knesset Israel.

On the local level, and in many instances on the national level, too, there is this kind of cooperation. There is no reason then why the three wings could not set up joint commissions in those areas in which ideological differences do not exist.

Which organization then will be the first to pass such a motion or resolution? It may take years before joint action is established in some areas, but that time will be delayed that much longer if a start is not made right now.

Draft Bernard Baruch or Sen. Lehman

JUST what Benjamin Browdy had in mind when he named Albert Schiff to head the Zionist Organization of America's effort to provide capital for Israel, is not clear at this writing. It is to be hoped, however, that Mr. Browdy and the forthcoming ZOA convention will not consider the matter settled, and thus fail to give proper time and thought to the matter of help to Israel in this most vital category.

Mr. Schiff is a devoted and capable Zionist. He is a leading figure in U.S. business circles.

But is he to head the effort in relation to buying bonds in a wide-scale bid to raise funds for capital investments as in the case of the defunct Israel Corporation of America; or is he to set up the machinery which will induce Jewish businessmen to set up factories in Is-

rael; or is he in charge of both efforts?

To The POST it would seem that the effort to encourage American businessmen to open factories in Israel should be placed in the hands of a man like Bernard Baruch, or perhaps Herbert Lehman, or some other U.S. Jew whose connection with American business and industry and whose standing in the business world is such that his leadership will inspire confidence and elicit support from all segments of the Jewish and non-Jewish community.

It is possible that Mr. Schiff will gather such men around him. No announcement has yet been forthcoming, but whatever the plans actually are, it is to be hoped that the very biggest Jewish industrialists in the U.S. are enlisted to mastermind this essential program.

The Orthodox Rabbis and the Zionist Flag

THE POST is in wholehearted accord with the stand of the Rabbinical Council of America, the association of American-trained Orthodox rabbis, against any change in the Zionist flag.

As the Rabbinical Council pointed out, those who want to make charges of dual loyalty won't stop merely because the flag is changed or because the Jewish chaplain's emblem or a religious banner is substituted for it.

Those with a knowledge of Jewish practices know that the Zionist flag, although now the flag of Israel, has no political connotations for

Zionists. It represents the continuity and the self-identification of U.S. Jews with the Jewish people. Its significance is purely in those terms.

The rules governing the display of flags in the United States will naturally become the practice of Jewish groups. If the Zionist flag is presently displayed on occasions other than those that are in strict accordance with formal practice, all non-Jews will understand, except those of ill-will.

Non-Jews in that category will not need this evidence of attachment to a cause to find charges to trump up against the Jews.

Mr. Browdy's Electioneering

THE ZIONIST Organization of America is about to be presented with a fait accompli for its next president. While The POST may not like the procedure from a public standpoint, it finds itself disapproving it only mildly.

There must be many men other than Benjamin Browdy who are of ZOA presidential caliber but traditionally there has always been a great deal of electioneering for the office. If, in the case of Mr. Browdy, he is using aggressive methods, there are the practices of previous years as an example.

But if Mr. Browdy is to be next president of the ZOA, the The POST feels that the Zionists of the United States should know more about him and his policies. This is what The POST had in mind in recommending that Mr.

Browdy begin touring the U.S. to make himself and his policies known to grass roots Zionists of the nation.

Another issue remains, however. If Mr. Browdy's backers intend to obtain instruction of delegates to vote for him, then The POST will have to demur. No local district or region should instruct its delegates, as has been the practice previously. Delegates should be allowed to vote on the basis of their convictions after attending the sessions of the convention.

Mr. Browdy seems to be getting excellent political advice. In such terms, the best move he could make would be to issue a declaration that delegates should come to the Chicago convention uninstructed.

THE EDITORS CHAIR

I LIKE the prayer for parents, which Rabbi Charles Shulman has printed in the program for confirmation services at his Riverside Temple in New York. I'm assuming that Rabbi Shulman wrote it. It has meaning and purpose and needless to say is effective.

Silent Prayer For Parents

Source of love and life, to Thee we look for guidance on this sacred occasion. Our hearts are filled with gratitude as we behold our children grown in strength and understanding, grown as we had hoped, in beauty of holiness. And we praise Thee, our God, that Thou has sustained us and our little ones and enabled us to reach this day. We know, too, that this confirmation is but the beginning of the march to noble manhood and womanhood. In the critical years that are to follow, our children will be in greater need for our help than ever before. Grant us, we pray Thee, the vision and insight that will enable us to understand them. Give us the light of youth that we may be their sympathetic companions through their dreams. Teach us so to discipline our lives that we may be a constant example of high and purposive living. And guard these, our children, O our God! Spare them not the trials of youth, but the despair and disillusionment which may accompany these trials. Be with

them to hallow their labor and make it worthy before Thee. Establish Thou the work of our hands, establish Thou it. Amen.

IN CINCINNATI at the recent convention of the National Jewish Welfare Board, I asked Bernie Postal, the JWB's publicity director, to send me the full text of all the resolutions passed. Bernie refused, offering instead to send me those resolutions that he thought I (and you readers) should have.

I can understand Bernie's position. He's paid to see that the JWB is presented in as good a light as possible. But Bernie surprised me, because as an old newspaperman, he should know that although he may be under no obligation to call my attention to some news unfavorable to the JWB, it is his job to furnish information or documents when a newspaper asks for such material.

Philadelphia Rabbi, Temple Founder, Dies

PHILADELPHIA—Rabbi Louis Brav, founder of Temple Israel here, died in his home at the age of 65.

Born in Hungary, he came to the U. S. at the age of 12. A founder also of the Oak Lane B'nai B'rith, Rabbi Brav spoke 12 languages.

Portion of the Week

BEHAALOTHCHO

PARSHAT "Behaalothcho." The reading for the week is selected from the fourth book of Moses (Chapters VIII-XII). The Menorah is dedicated unto the Service of God in the Tabernacle and has from time on been the true symbol of Judaism unto this day. The choice of the Levites as servants of God is emphasized. Rashi comments as follows: "Say unto them, happy are ye inasmuch as ye have been found worthy to be servants to the Omnipresent." This is the basis for the special distinction that the Levites have within the household of Israel. We also hear of the establishment of the second Passover. From Exodus XII, 25, XIII 5-10, it appears that the Passover ordained there was for the celebration after the settlement in Canaan. Special direction was, therefore, required for a Passover in the wilderness. Among the vessels of the Tabernacle and later the Temple, the clarions of silver are described, which called the congregation and the princes to the Sanctuary for worship or for the beginning of the journey or in times of war. These clarions were long and narrow, with an expanded mouth. There is an illustration of these clarions among the spoils of the Temple, on the Arch of Titus. During the course of this Thora reading we are also traveling from Sinai to Moab. Ten months and 19 days after the arrival at Sinai, the journeying towards Moab and the Holy Land began. Guided by the cloud by day and fire by night, they encamped in the wilderness of Paran. Some scholars see in those clouds and columns of fire, volcanic manifestations. The Arc preceded the Israelites on their wanderings to demonstrate that the manifestation of God leads them on to final victory. Sentences like: "Rise up, O Lord, and let Thine enemies be scattered . . . Return O Lord unto the ten thousand and thousand of the families of Israel . . ." have remained part of our Synagogue ritual to this day. This colorful

and eventful portion of the Thora also tells us of the difficulties and dissensions within the camps of the Israelites and often directed against Moses. Moses bore with resignation the complaints and murmurings of His people and their alternate cowardice and foolhardiness. His foes were also of his own household. Even his only brother and only sister offended against him. Dramatic is his reaction to the report of two prophets within the camp, Eldad and Medad, who preached unauthorized. "Would that all the people of Israel were prophets that the Lord put His spirit upon them."

The Haphtarah is selected from Zechariah 11, 14—IV, 7, who was one of the exiles who returned from Babylon when Cyrus promulgated his decree of restoration in 537. He began his prophecies about 17 years later. In our Haphtarah, Zechariah assures the people of the Divine assistance in their work of rebuilding the Temple and of national rehabilitation. The Prophet's vision of the "candlestick all of gold" with its teaching that God alone is the source of all light, connects with the Sedrah which opens with the command concerning the Menorah.

—Rabbi Frank Rosenthal

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EXPLAINING DIFFERENCE IN ISRAEL AND U. S. ON ADJUSTING JEWISH LAW

Editor, National Jewish Post: The full-page article in your April 14th issue on Rabbi Ralph Simon's views on the "four-man mission" to the State of Israel may be misleading to a number of your readers. I am therefore writing to you to "clear the record."

He listed the "changes in Jewish Law he had observed in the kibbutzim in Israel." It is evident from the tone of the article that the reader was to conclude that the Conservative Rabbis who "change" Jewish Law in this country are merely the counterpart of the recognized and praiseworthy religious Zionist party in Israel.

Such an implication is very misleading. I have been in Israel where I visited Hapoel Hamizrachi colonies and found that they do not change Jewish Law as the conservative Rabbis do. When the religious Cholutzim are confronted with a problem they turn to the recognized Rabbinate authority—the Chief Rabbinate—and inquire whether a solution can be found within the realm of Jewish Law. They do not change the Jewish Law but wait until an authoritative answer is given to their "shailon" or question.

Let me take for an example one of the "changes" listed—the "milking of the cows on the Sabbath and other vital work such as taking care of the fishponds." The average reader of your paper may not know that the Shulchan Aruch permits a Jew on the Sabbath to extract the milk from the udder of the cow, where a non-Jew can not be found to do it, provided the milk is not used (Crach Hayim 305:20, Magen Avraham). To fail to do that on the Sabbath would cause the cow pain and "tza-ar ba-alai chayim" causing pain to living creatures is prohibited. The problem therefore, was to find a way of using the milk instead of letting it go to waste. The Chief Rabbinate therefore found a way according to the Schulchan Aduch to permit the milk to be used for the making of cheese.

The same thing is true of the other "changes" listed. To go into the halachah angle of each item would take more space than you could allot for a letter.

When, however, the conservative Rabbis, as announced in the head-line of your current issue, "approve riding on the Sabbath" they are not "changing" Jewish Law; they are simply violating Jewish Law. Can the members of the Conservative Law Committee explain to your readers how they get around the Law of the Torah (Exodus 35:3) "ye shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the Sabbath day"? Perhaps they have adopted the ostrich-like policy of not looking under the hood of the automobile to see the combustion of the gasoline in the motor!

Rabbi Simon stated further that the religious chalutzim "enjoy bringing their solutions to the Chief Rabbinate and insisting that the law must be changed to permit vital work on the Sabbath." That statement is also very misleading. Four years ago I visited the Hapoel Hamizrachi colony in Israel, Massuct Yitzchak, where at that time they were considering the question of tree-grafting. Instead of "insisting that the law be changed" they prepared a "shailon and tshuvah"—a dissertation which analyzed the problem from the Halachah point of view and the possible solutions within the

Jewish Law. They submitted this dissertation to the Chief Rabbinate and waited for an answer. They would not consider "taking action" as Rabbi Simon states they would do, until the answer from the Chief Rabbinate was received.

I do not know which colonies the "four-man mission" visited but if your article were sent to them I feel certain that they would resent the slanderous statements and implications it contained.

As for your innocent readers, who may still be carried away by the printed word, I would like them to bear in mind that the last work on this matter has not been uttered by the four men. We have yet to hear from the religious groups in Israel. My feeling, based on my personal observations of the religious colonies in Israel, is that the Biblical statement still holds true—"out of Zion shall go forth the Law" and not the violations of the law, implied in the report of the Conservative Rabbis.

RABBI MORRIS MAX
New York.

RABBIS FREQUENTLY POWERLESS TO STOP VULGAR JEWISH PROGRAMS

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I read with great interest the story you carried in your May 5 edition with regard to Rabbi Morris Adler's interpretation of the vulgarity and disgrace which many Jewish institutions have descended to in this day. I would like to substantiate these remarks with what I have personally seen myself. Without mentioning names of organizations, including synagogues and Temples, which I could certainly do, I know of a Zionist group which staged a stag and pornographic films were shown. I wonder what the Jews the world over would think upon learning that their Zionism and toil in Israel are matched in American friends whose Zionism manifests itself in pictorial nudity.

Some of our Temples and synagogues are culpable in this matter also. It has come to my attention how two religious organizations arranged similar programs as described above for the sake of giving Jews something interesting and on the pretext that money was being gathered for cornerstones. I think the money was

being gathered for mausoleums for Jewish life.

The sad part about all this is that even the rabbinate is powerless in many instances. I know where rabbis have opposed such programs with the result that enmity was created and the rabbi's position jeopardized. What can be the outcome of all this? How can a rabbi, who is supposed to be some kind of a Jewish leader, foist opposition that will carry weight? There are cases where such programs have been carried through even against the opposition of the rabbi, and the rabbi had no course but to submit and absent himself from the evening's program or resign.

Unfortunately the inevitable road leads to submission.

I think the major Jewish organizations, both religious and secular, should issue public declarations against such filthy programs so that when individual leaders voice opposition there will be some weight in back of their indignation.

RABBI DAVID SCHWARTZ
Floral Park, N. Y.

NEWARK OFFICIAL DENIES STALLING BY LOCAL JEWRY ON YULE DEBATE

Editor, National Jewish Post:

In the interest of accuracy, I wish to call to your attention that your story in the issue of May 12th, entitled "Newark Jews Reject Demand They Fight Yule in Schools" was misleading in indicating that any proposal was considered and rejected.

The General Assembly of the Jewish Community Council of Essex County held on April 26th a discussion on religious holiday observances. Its purpose was to initiate discussion on this matter within the Jewish community and to encourage thinking within the various Jewish groups in our community, prior to any community decision which may in the future be made on this subject.

It was not intended to reach any decision in this meeting. It was called only for discussion

purposes and for an exchange of opinions.

The meeting accomplished this well.

ARNOLD HARRIS
Executive Secretary
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Newark, N. J.

Edward G. Robinson Now ZOA Life Member

CHICAGO—Stage and screen star Edward G. Robinson has become a life member of the Zionist Organization of America, the ZOA "News Reporter" disclosed this week.

Presentation of the life membership was made by Willy Nordwind, national Life Membership chairman, at a special function of the Chicago Zionist Organization.

Coming Conclaves

JUNE

Central Conference of American Rabbis, 61st annual convention, Cincinnati, June 7-12.

Rabbinical Council of America, annual convention, Chicago, June 12.

Zionist Organization of America, 53rd annual convention, Chicago, June 30-July 4.

National Council of Jewish Social Welfare, 51st annual convention, the National Council of Jewish Center Workers, annual convention, the National Council for Jewish Education, Atlantic City, June 4-9.

2,000 Indian Jews Settled in Israel

TEL AVIV—More than 2,000 Jews from India have settled in Israel during the past two years, with about 400 in the cooperative settlements. A coop set up by Jewish youths from India near Gaza is one of the most successful of the cooperative colonies set up in recent years.

QUESTIONS BROWDY'S QUALIFICATIONS ALSO POST'S REPORTS ON ZOA POLITICS

Editor, National Jewish Post:

As a subscriber and regular reader I have had little cause to question your integrity in the presentation of news. The headlines in the May 19 POST, "Election Sure, But Browdy Gets Setback" arouses concern, or else falls into the category of double talk.

I am thinking aloud. Were you trying to create an impression that opposition to Browdy's election is futile, or was there an unspoken hope that the setback is but the first of a series?

Since you are national in scope, many readers outside New York may not have heard of the Zionist Organization of America "Salute to Israel" at Madison Square Garden on May 11. Eighteen thousand people were there that night to celebrate with music and to hear Dr. Silver speak. A ZOA publicity release described the presentation of a plaque by the ZOA president to Dr. Silver as the highlight of the evening. If indeed it was a highlight it also highlighted what was evident to every man and woman in the audience—that we have neither militant nor inspired leadership in the presidency of the ZOA. To be blunt, we have no leadership at all.

To make matters worse, the recent election and the pre-Chicago activities smack more of small town political machinations than the high ideals we proclaim as the motivating influences in our cause. Apparently your editor, too, has succumbed and refers to the next ZOA administration as a "coalition with Benjamin Browdy as president." One would really imagine that you were writing of a recognized government with a cabinet representative of the will of the majority. If the election in July is a foregone conclusion—and I fear your predictions will turn out more accurate than the national polls of 1948—why impose upon delegates with a farce and a sham? Mr. Browdy has already released his acceptance speech in which he announces that he has tried to do his best. Unfortunately his best may not be equal to another man's worst. However, and whatever your motives, the unkindest cut of all was the signatures, to the call for Mr.

Browdy's election. "Call" is too subdued a word; it should have been labelled "draft" to emphasize the farce.

The announced objective of the ZOA is to build a strong Israel, for a strong American Jewry and for a world at peace. To attain those objectives we need diplomats and statesmen, not politicians.

J. K. COLMAN

New York

Ed. Note: it is a little difficult to tell from reader Colman's letter whether he is accusing us of too much or too little editorializing in our report on the developments on the ZOA presidency. As far as The POST is concerned, our objective is not one of keeping just the right amount of editorializing in the news, but to keep it out altogether. BG

No Sunday Games By Catholic Schools?

Editor, National Jewish Post:

In your issue of May 19 you published a letter from Charles Schultz of Brooklyn, New York, wherein he blasts Brandeis University for booking a game with Harvard on Saturday, October 14. He states further that no Catholic institution would ever consider participating in sports on Sunday.

May I please advise Mr. Schultz that he is not very well informed when he makes the latter statement. There are in this area alone, such Catholic institutions as Niagara University, Canisius College and St. Bonaventure College that play almost all their football games on Sundays. I am sure also that this prevails throughout the country.

I am sure that there is nothing in their faith that makes it sacrilegious for them to indulge in these activities, and I can see no reason why a Jewish institution cannot play on Saturdays.

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A MEASURE OF FREEDOM, By Arnold Forster, Doubleday, New York, 256 pages, \$2.50.

CHARACTER ASSASSINATION, By Jerome Davis, Philosophical Library, New York, 259 pages, \$3.

JEWS IN AMERICAN HISTORY, By Harry Golden and Martin Rywell, Henry Lewis Martin Co., 479 pages, \$10.

By WARD MOORE

THIS reviewer has been belabored so often—and so fruitlessly—for having an unconstructive attitude (which translates into calling a dull, ill-conceived, poorly written book a dull, ill-conceived, poorly written book) that I never sit down to my typewriter without glancing apprehensively over my shoulder to see if some deeply wounded author or outraged publisher is not standing behind me, ready to stab me with a quill pen, or brain me with the leaden plates of a volume I have failed to find meritorious. This interminable sentence is written merely to excuse my mentioning for the third time in this column how valuable I find the Studies in Prejudice Series sponsored by the American Jewish Committee.

"Dynamics of Prejudice" is the last of the five initial volumes—I hope more are planned—to be reviewed here. Subtitled, "A Psychological and Sociological Study of Veterans," it employs the technique of an extensive questionnaire to a group of 150 veterans, breaking down and classifying the answers in many revealing ways as well as analyzing the overall results. If the percentages of the four categories: Intense (anti-Semitism), Outspoken (prejudice), Stereotyped (pictures of Jews), and Tolerant, are alarming, a still greater cause

for apprehension is to be found in the anti-Negro attitudes of the same veterans, for where White Supremacy hitches up its galluses and burns its fiery crosses, Nuremberg Laws become a goal. Here are the unpleasant facts:

Distribution of Anti-Semitism	
Tolerant	61
Stereotyped	42
Outspoken	41
Intense	6
Distribution of Anti-Negro Attitudes	
Tolerant	12
Stereotyped	40
Outspoken	74
Intense	24

In other words 59 per cent of those interviewed had an anti-Jewish bias; 92 per cent an anti-Negro one. If there be any Jews who can comfort themselves with the illusory 33 per cent differential, I'm afraid they are putting themselves in the position of the German Jews who, prior to 1933, thought the Nazis would be satisfied to do something about the uncouth Galitzianers and Poles while leaving good Mosaic Germans undisturbed.

"A Measure of Freedom" is a recapitulation of some of the outward manifestations of the four attitudes of "Dynamics of Prejudice." The KKK and other recreational groups are operated by the "Intense," manned by the "Outspoken," interesting the "Stereotyped," and tolerated (the word works both ways) by the "Tolerant." Popular and factual, "A Measure of Freedom" will be read by many Jews and such gentiles who are already in the 41 per cent tolerant brackets. I predict that it will decrease anti-Semitism in the United States by approximately .000001 per cent.

Jerome Davis' "Character Assassination" is the account of a personal grievance expanded to survey similar episodes and the whole technique of smear. Particularly is it concerned with libels against Jews, Negroes and Labor, though other material is brought in to round out the pic-

Most In Mizrahi; Least In Labor

TEL AVIV—In the general schools in Israel about 40 per cent of the school time is spent in Hebrew schools and 60 per cent on general subjects. In the Mizrahi schools, the proportion is reversed. In the Labor schools less than 30 per cent of the time devoted to specifically Hebrew studies.

ture. Because of its disproportions and awkward structure, the book is not as interesting as it might easily have been. Dr. Davis' heart is undeniably in the right place, and he has put it in his pen, but the operation was not entirely successful.

WHEN IT COMES to "Jews in American History," words fail me. I will therefore offer a few choice quotations:

"On January 4, 1926, he married Ellin Mackay, the daughter of Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Postal Telegraph Company. Mr. Mackay, an immensely wealthy Catholic, opposed the marriage. Irving Berlin wrote the song 'Always.' They have three daughters."

"For half a century Irving Berlin has been writing songs—over 700 tunes and some of the most popular melodies—America has danced to them—America has marched off to war to them—God bless America."

The following paragraphs are reproduced as printed:

"Billy Rose climbed from the poverty of New York's overcrowded East Side to a nationally known figure by dint of perseverance and by stands of perfectionism."

"As a shorthand writer at 18 he was the world's champion. Three men in relays dictated to him. They broke down but his record was established. He went to Washington and became secretary to Bernard M. Baruch in the War Industries Board."

"As a song writer he was among the best. He had studied and researched every popular song and analyzed its sound structure. Then he wrote the songs that captured popular appeal."

"As a night club owner, he was tops. He had the biggest and best shows."

"As a showman he produced the most impressive shows. At the World's Fair his Aquacade was the main attraction."

"As a columnist his daily chit-chat is widely syndicated and eagerly read. It started in response to his cleverly written advertisements."

"As an art collector his collection is one of the finest."

THE GEM of the book is not the author's own, but a good example of their taste and sensitivity. If the you could reproduce it in a book costing ten bucks. I guess I can swallow natural delicacy and pass it on to you for free:

"When the foe charged on the breastworks,
With the madness of despair
And the bravest souls were tested,
The Little Jew was there."

"When the weary dozed on duty,
Or the wounded needed care,
When another shot was called for,
The Little Jew was there."

"With the festering dead around them,
Shedding poison in the air,
When the crippled chieftain ordered,
The Little Jew was there."

Comment is not only superfluous; I am afraid to make it.

On the Other Hand

JEWISH SURVIVAL IN THE U.S. POSSIBLE ONLY ON RELIGIOUS BASE

By SIDNEY WALLACH

Consultant to the American Council for Judaism

WHAT bearing do the principles of the American Council for Judaism have on the question of Jewish survival in the United States?

In one way or another, this question is constantly put before representatives of the Council. Indeed, it has been so put by one of the editorial associates of the National Jewish Post. Very frequently, that question is put as if it were to be "a stumper," designed to silence permanently a spokesman of the Council's viewpoint.

Actually that question, if intelligently pursued, would in the judgment of Council people, lead American Jews to recognize completely the validity of the ideals that the Council represents. In fact, many in the Council are identified with it precisely because its philosophy and program make more likely the survival of American Jews in ways that will be harmonious within the total framework of American society. It is our belief that the development of Jewish life along the lines of the Council philosophy is the only one that can assure Jewish continuity in the United States. All others are bound to make for the disappearance of the Jews of America, either by artificially promoted emigration or by the rejection of Jewish ties in complete assimilation.

To understand this point of view, one need only review American history.

For the American people are and always have been a composite of peoples who are different; racially, in their national origins, and in their religions. Racially, the melting pot is working, in the main, with the single and significant exceptions of black-white relationships, which for reasons of history and sheer numbers, constitute a specialized problem. But since Jews are biologically not of one race, this development has no bearing upon Jewish survival.

THE NATIONALITY AND RELIGIOUS composition of Americans does, however, have a very real bearing on the analysis of the Jewish prospects. If we are to judge from history, the choice between them will determine whether or not Jews will survive in the United States.

Let us look at the fate of nationality groups in this country. There have been and are such groups; with periods of heightened feeling among them; and, among latecomer nationalities, special lingering devotion. These realities may however obscure a central and important fact;—namely, that the nationality loyalties are constantly shrinking with each generation that passes.

Those Americans who originally were Irish and who then became American citizens have made way for a generation of Americans of Irish descent; and for second and third and fourth generations in which the Irish nationality appeal is steadily thinned out. The process in that case is from "Irishman" to "American-Irish," to an "American of Irish antecedents" until that link is so thin as to be indistinguishable in the broad social scene.

Because America has had large blocs of immigrants, it has been tolerant up to a certain measure of the maintenance of residual national loyalties. The process, however, was expected to be and steadily has been, one of a reduction of the sharp national passions and self-identifications. Where that diluting process has been checked, as in periods of Irish chauvinistic nationalism, or German "folkstum" or the Italian fascist philosophy, there has been a sharp and hostile general reaction.

IT IS, OF COURSE, true that because of the settlement within specific areas of immigrants from different countries, their absorption and the dilution of their nationality identity have been slowed down. Nevertheless, the process has been inevitable right along.

The plain fact of the matter is that descendants of the French Calvinists do not continue to regard themselves in any passionate and self-identifying terms with the French nation. So, too, with the descendants of the Dutch settlers or the Scotch settlers; and so in varying degrees with all of the other immigrant nationality groups.

However, and this is the signi-

ficant aspect of the survival question; the descendants, of French Calvinists of old are still, in the main, Calvinists. The descendants of those of the Dutch Reformed Church are still, today, adherents of their particular religious faith. With due regard for departures by occasional intermarriage or direct change of faith, the religious continuity has never had to be watered down.

This is the heart of the survival problem for Jews in America. If they are to live their lives as a nationality group, they must expect the rapid attrition of the nationality aspect to the point of disappearance. If, however, they are to shape their lives as a religious community, they will be able by thus conforming to the American religious group pattern, to maintain themselves and to survive in endless generations.

TO US, of the Council, it appears clear, therefore, that only those whose design for living, as Jews, is in religious terms, show a proper concern for the survival of the Jews in the country and an understanding of the problem that takes into account the historical development of the American community.

How real and how meaningful that religious life can be is another question that I hope to deal with in another column.

Mich. Jews Get Special Vote Law

National Jewish Post
DETROIT—Gov. G. Mennen Williams last week signed a bill extending the privilege of absentee voting to Michigan Jews who otherwise could not vote in the state fall primary election which occurs on the first day of Rosh Hashonah.

Gov. Williams approved the measure at the request of the Detroit Jewish Community Council. The bill, which had bipartisan endorsement, was passed by the recent special session of the Michigan legislature.

JCC officials said they would start a campaign soon to familiarize observant Jews on use of the absentee ballot for such voting.

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MORE EVIDENCE IN THE CASE OF ADL AND ITS SPORTS SOURCES

By HAROLD U. RIBALOW

A HANDFUL of readers, both angry and irritated, have written to this corner saying that we have erred in implying that Arnold Forster, in his "A Measure of Freedom," borrowed heavily from this columnist's "The Jew in American Sports," published two years before the Forster book was issued. A fellow columnist for the Anglo-Jewish press, Phineas Biron, in a brief paragraph, said that Forster's ninth chapter, (the one dealing with bias in sports) is taken from my book. This, too, is quite an exaggeration. Much of the chapter offers ADL surveys. In "The Jew in American Sports" there is little written about bias. It is a volume of 25 personality stories of Jewish sports stars.

In any case, there are two extremes, both wrong. Forster did not rely on my book as Biron says he did. On the other hand, those who wrote in to say that Forster, on the basis of my earlier comment, didn't seem to take much from my volume, and, anyway, didn't he mention me and isn't that enough?

We didn't want to go further into the story, but now that the quotation I offered as final seems not to have been too conclusive, here are other cases:

ON PAGE 5, "The Jew in American Sports" contains this paragraph:

"Baseball is America's most democratic game. The ball park is where everyone comes with his hair down, so to speak. The fans take off their jackets, roll up their sleeves, bake themselves in the bleachers or the stands, jeer at the players and forget their outside troubles. In a sense the same could be said for any sport, with this difference: one of the main attractions of baseball is to be part of the crowd. That is to say, it is not only the game itself which attracts the fan; it is the comforting fact that you know your neighbor, like you, is interested in the game and that he is, if only for a few hours, your buddy."

Page 167 of Forster's "A Measure of Freedom":

"Baseball, long called America's national game, is also considered its most democratic sport. A fan does not go to a ball park just to see a game. He goes to be a part of the crowd; to roll up his sleeves; to talk facts and gossip about the players with his grandstand neighbor."

"The Jew in American Sports" on page 224:

"Jews starred on the basketball courts of America for one reason. Basketball is primarily a game for crowded cities. It requires practically no space and little paraphernalia. Just a ball, a court, two hoops and ten eager lads and you can play the game. In other sections of the country, where there are rolling plains, the boys majored in football and baseball. Necessity forced sports-loving youths in the metropolitan cities of America to play basketball. Well, most of the Jews in the United States live in the big cities. That's the answer, pure and simple."

"A Measure of Freedom" on page 172:

"Jewish players, in the past, were prominent on the professional and amateur basketball courts of America for one probable reason—this has nothing to do with 'Oriental background.' Basketball requires little space and little equipment; it is a game primarily for crowded cities. Most Jews in the United States live in large cities and sports-lovers among them found the game of basketball within convenient reach."

IN THE RIBALOW book a handful of baseball players are given full chapters. On page 168 of the Forster book, there appears this sentence: "Despite their small number in major league baseball, there have been outstanding Jewish players." And then they are named, in precisely the order in which chapters on them appear in "The Jew in American Sports." In the "Jew in American Sports," on page 94, there appears this sentence: "There have been more than twenty Jewish ring champions and many of them, like Abe Attell, Benny Leonard and Barney Ross, rank with the top names in the sport."

The Forster book, on page 176, contains this sentence: "There have been men like Benny Leonard, Abe Attell, and Barney Ross,



RIBALOW

By ASHER BIENBAUM

National Jewish Post Correspondent

TEL AVIV—(NJP)—One great Jewish musician came to the defense of a second one this week when Conductor Leonard Bernstein gave a verbal pat on the back to Violinist Yehudi Menuhin, whose recent first tour of Israel attracted world-wide attention.

Bernstein, darling of Israel's music lovers is currently directing the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. He is the orchestra's first guest artist since Menuhin. Performances of the violinist were picketed last month by concentration camp survivors because of his controversial benefit appearances in Germany and despite his public denunciations of identification with the Jewish people.

A STRONG CASE

The handsome young conductor was reticent about the Menuhin tour, which ended in a spectacular personal triumph for the violinist, but he told The Post that immediately upon his arrival in Israel, he spoke to Menuhin and "I am convinced that he should have been welcomed to Israel."

Bernstein disclosed that for three years he has been fighting a situation which has some parallel to the criticism of Menuhin: Israel's informal ban on the works of Richard Wagner and Richard Strauss.

"The ban is not justified but it is understandable," Bernstein said. "Dachau is still too close. It is embedded in the corpuscles of these people and the ban springs

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from them. It is not imposed from above."

A SLOW FIGHT

The pianist-conductor admitted that progress in his struggle to break the ban was slow and cited as an example the performance Gustav Mahler's second symphony.

"Because German was forbidden, the chorus sang a Hebrew translation—and the Hebrew just didn't sit right," Bernstein said.

Following Bernstein's first appearance on his current tour, a reception was held for him on the stage of Tel Aviv's Ohel Shem theater. A greeting from the orchestra expressed regret that his visits have been too short and too rare."

Commenting on that greeting Bernstein said that he would conduct about half of the orchestra's 1951 tour of the United States and that he hoped to spend more time with the orchestra in the future.

Backstage visitors following his enthusiastically received first concert included Mrs. Chaim Weizmann and Bernstein's parents who arrived from Brooklyn, Mass., to spend a month in Israel during their son's tour.

HIS OWN SYMPHONY

In a brief speech at the reception, the American musician explained that most of his brief rehearsal period with the orchestra had been spent on his second symphony, "The Age of Reason," based on a poem by Auden.

"With greatest sincerity I want to tell you that tonight's performance of the Italian Symphony (Mendelssohn's fourth) was the best that I have ever heard and that was with less than an hour of practice," Bernstein said.

"My symphony was given its best reading to date," he added.

NO SLUR MEANT

He commented quickly that he intended no slur upon his teacher Serge Koussevitsky, who had conducted "The Age of Anxiety" during one of its two American performances. For the Israel premiere of his second symphony, Bernstein played the piano and conducted simultaneously.

During his performances the dark-haired artist wears on the lapel of his formal jacket a Palmach insignia presented to him during his last visit to Israel.

U.S. Court Eases Terms For German Vandals

MUNICH—(WNS)—Three Germans convicted on charges of having damaged a synagogue at Martkreditz, Bavaria, in September of 1949, won reduction in their sentences on appeal to the U.S. Appeals Court in Germany, it was disclosed here this week.

Two of the men, originally sentenced to serve ten months each, are to serve four months and another who was originally sentenced to a four-month term, was given a suspended sentence by the higher court.

The decision was made public against the background of a report that 28 tombstones in the Jewish cemetery in Hemsbach, near Mannheim, had been damaged during the week-end.

According to James R. Newman, U.S. Commissioner for Hesse, over 200 of the 500 Jewish cemeteries in Germany have been desecrated since the Nazi surrender in 1945.

Two dance instruction sessions for psychoneurotic veterans at the U.S. Naval Hospital were conducted in Philadelphia recently with Jewish Welfare Board hostesses serving as dancing partners.

McCloy Begs Germans To Be Decent to Jews

HAMBURG—(WNS)—A plea to compensate Jews for what they suffered at the hands of the Nazis was made here this week by U. S. High Commissioner for Germany John J. McCloy, speaking at ceremonies marking the opening of "Amerika Haus" in Hanover, the first U. S. information center established outside the American zone.

McCloy declared that the German people could show their goodwill "by taking prompt and generous action to restore to those persecuted that which is justly theirs" without Allied prodding.

News, Not Puffery In
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NEW YORK

Gifts to Brandeis Top First Year Total

National Jewish Post
WALTHAM, Mass.—Brandeis University received \$1,334,259 in contributions, grants and funds during its second academic year, President Abram L. Sachar reported last week.

Dr. Sachar made the report at the second annual convocation of the nation's first Jewish-sponsored, non-sectarian university. He said the figure represented an increase of \$115,000 over the amount received by the school in its first academic year.

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Silver Praises Browdy; N.E. Region Backs Him

National Jewish Post

BOSTON—The campaign to give Benjamin Browdy a full term as president of the Zionist Organization of America collected a unanimous endorsement this week from the 30th annual convention of the New England region of the ZOA.

The convention was attended by an estimated 1,000 delegates representing 15,000 members in ZOA branches in the area.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, former ZOA president, moved into the limelight of the smoothly-organized campaign by publicly asserting at the convention that Browdy "will make a first-rate president."

"I will have more to say on this subject between now and the ZOA convention," Silver told the convention. The ZOA 53rd annual conclave is scheduled for Chicago June 30 to July 4.

Browdy was elected by the ZOA national administrative council to fill out the unexpired term of the late Daniel Frisch, who died in office last March.

After some preliminary maneuverings, top figures in the ZOA decided to support Browdy and a "call" was issued three weeks ago in support of his candidacy.



BROWDY

Ohio Valley ZOA Region Condemns Practice of Instructing Delegates

National Jewish Post

TOLEDO—The Ohio Valley Zionist region, after sharp debate, approved a resolution Sunday opposing instructed delegates to the next Zionist Organization of America convention.

The region, at its annual convention, named four delegates to the ZOA's 53rd convention, which opens June 30 in Chicago, and urged the districts in the region to send delegates without instructions.

Rabbi Samuel Cooper of Charlestown, W. Va., supported the resolution, after a motion to table had been withdrawn. He said a "vicious system" had been developing during the past few years under which the president of the ZOA was elected long before the convention by maneuvers pledging districts and regions for certain men.

He said he hoped the passage of the resolution would start a reverse trend which would make it possible once again for elected delegates to name the new president at national conventions.

Rabbi Cooper is a former member of the national executive committee of the ZOA.

Arabs Attack Jews; Jews, Not Arabs, Held

BAGDAD—Bomb attacks on Moslem Jews in two Arab countries resulted in efforts by authorities in those states to hold Jews responsible, it was revealed last week.

Unidentified culprits tossed a bomb into a crowded cafe frequented by Jews in Bagdad and Bagdad police arrested three Jews in the incident but no Arabs.

A second outrage occurred in the Jewish quarter of Damascus. A bomb wrecked two Jewish-owned homes and caused considerable damage. No Jews were hurt but two Arabs were injured.

Syrian authorities immediately commented that Syrian Jews were anxious to dramatize the plight of their fellow-Jews and had planted the bomb to attract world attention.

The Syrian authorities did not, however, use the same explanation for the almost daily attacks on Jews in the main towns of Syria.

Hebrew Poet Sees Hope for Jewish Youth

NEW YORK—S. Shalom, famous Hebrew poet, said this week that he felt that American Jewish youth were "amenable" to "spiritual agitation" of a kind that would bind them culturally with Israel.

The poet, in the U.S. for a visit, said he was concerned by the "inadequacy" of efforts now being made to bring Jewish youth into the fold of traditional Judaism in the cultural sense.

Stamps commemorating "men of good will"—Christians who befriended Jews or who turned to Jewish culture for inspiration in their work—are included in a stamp exhibit entitled "A Century of Jewish History" now at the Jewish Museum in New York.

Flint JCC Again Turns Down Bid From JDA For Allocation

National Jewish Post

FLINT, Mich.—For the second year in a row, the Jewish Welfare fund of this auto center has denied an allocation to the Joint Defense Appeal, fund-raising arm of the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

As in 1948 allocations, the Budget Committee of the Flint Jewish Community Council provided a grant for the American Jewish JDA was sent an invitation to the Congress while withholding funds from the JDA.

The action on 1949 funds was disclosed in the May Issue of the Flint Jewish Community Council "Reporter." The Flint JCC is the fund-collecting and fund-dispensing agency for Flint's 500-odd Jewish families.

In both cases, the request for allocations from JDA was tabled on grounds that the JDA's agencies had failed to justify grants of Jewish communal funds.

Last year, the Flint JCC reconsidered a decision against granting an allocation to the extent of inviting a representative to present the JDA's case.

A similar pattern in dealing with the problem apparently was followed for 1949 allocations.

Describing the work of the 1949 Budget Committee, the "Reporter" said that "for Community Relations Agencies only \$200 has been allocated thus far to the American Jewish Congress."

"The Board decided to table the question of an allocation to the Joint Defense Appeal and to invite a representative from that organization to visit us to explain why we should support them."

The "Reporter" said that an invitation was extended to the JDA to send a representative to the JCC April meeting, which the JDA was unable to accept. The

It was not learned whether the JDA had sent a representative to that meeting or what final action the Flint JCC had taken on the matter.

Last year, the Flint JCC allocated funds to both the Congress and to the Jewish Labor Committee, the fourth U. S. Jewish civil defense agency. The "Reporter" statement did not indicate why an allocation was withheld from the Jewish Labor Committee this year.

The dispute last year began when the JDA asked for double the amount it received from Flint Jewry in 1947—\$3,000 as against \$1,500.

An executive board meeting of the JCC, meeting to study recommendations of the budget subcommittee for 1948, moved and seconded a motion to give no funds to the JDA.

Before that motion could be passed, it was urged that a representative of the JDA be invited to present the fund-raising agency's case. At a subsequent meeting, the executive committee decided to allocate communal funds to the Congress and to the Jewish Labor Committee and to ask a JDA spokesman to appear before the committee with a complete explanation of the work of the AJ Committee and the ADL.

3,000 Peru Jews Plan \$200,000 Center

LIMA, Peru—Ninety-five per cent of Peru's 3,000 Jews live in Lima, where they have established an all-day Jewish school for 300 children between the ages of five and 11.

The small but vigorous Jewish community has launched a campaign to raise \$200,000 for a Jewish youth center.

Differences in Zionist party viewpoint has not prevented establishment of a single Zionist Organization as a non-party group, to represent all adult Zionists.

Jewish youth in Peru are organized in four Zionist groups, which work together on all basic Israel causes.

The community publishes a Spanish-language monthly and the youth group publish two months, both in Spanish.

N.Y. Medical Schools Held Guilty of Bias

National Jewish Post

NEW YORK—The American Jewish Congress last week charged that quotas are still being applied by medical schools in New York state against Jewish applicants and demanded a formal investigation.

The Congress statement criticized the "inactivity" of the State Department of Education in implementing the Quinn-Olliffe Act against such discrimination. It asked the State Commissioner of Education to open an investigation of admission practices of the nine medical schools in the state.

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UJA Calls Meet On Cash Crisis

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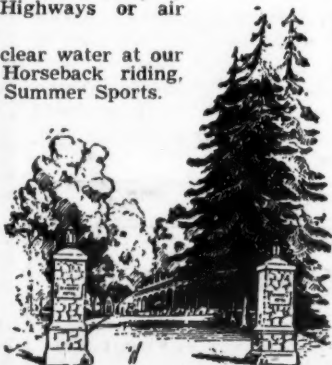
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